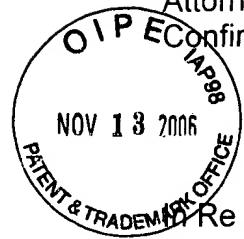


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a)

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a one-month extension of time to file this response to the Final Office Action mailed July 10, 2006. The extended period is set to expire on November 10, 2006. Please charge the amount of \$120.00 to cover the fee for a one-month extension of time to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666. Also, please charge any shortages and credit any overages to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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